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MESSAGE

Improper Dependency: in the claim set, Claim 2 (renumbered Claim 1) is dependent upon larger Claim 6 (renumbered Claim 4) and Claim 4 (renumbered Claim 3). - see attached.

please advise/correct claim dependency (renumber the claims, if necessary).

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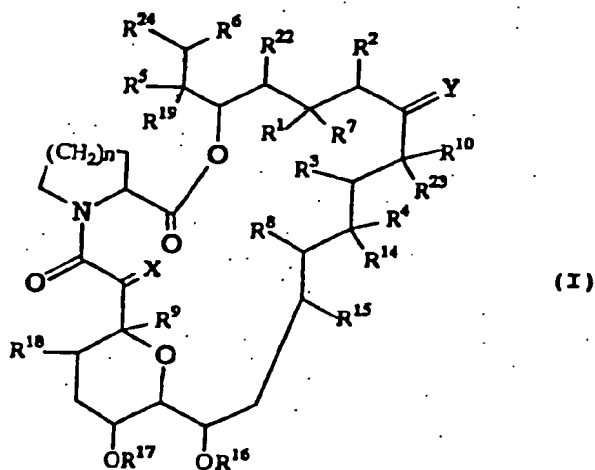
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LISTING OF THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Claim 1 (canceled)

Claim 2 (previously presented): The method of claim 1, wherein the macrolide compound is a tricyclo compound (I) of the following formula



wherein

adjacent pairs of R<sup>1</sup> and R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup> and R<sup>4</sup>, and R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> each independently

a) consist of two adjacent hydrogen atoms, wherein R<sup>2</sup> is optionally alkyl, or

b) form another bond between carbon atoms binding with the members of each pair;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

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Claim ~~3~~ (previously presented): The method of claim 6 or claim ~~2~~, wherein said macrolide compound is FK506.

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Claim ~~4~~ (currently amended): The method of claim ~~3~~, wherein said macrolide compound is administered in the form of a preparation suitable for ~~local~~ administration ~~to the~~ eye as an eye drop.

Claim 5 (canceled)

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Claim ~~6~~ (currently amended): A method for treating a dry eye, comprising administering ocular administration of an effective amount of a macrolide compound to a subject in need of the treatment of dry eye.

Claim 7 (canceled)

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Claim ~~8~~ (previously presented): The method of claim ~~6~~, wherein said macrolide compound is administered in the form of a preparation suitable for local administration.